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## HOUSTON DIVISION

JENNY'S MEMORIAL BUSINESS

§ CASE NO. CA H-03-5873

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## RULE\_14 HEARING

BEFORE THE HON. FRANCES H. STACY, U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

APPEARANCES:

For the Plaintiff:

DR. BEKEE NWAKANMA P.O. Box 300889 Houston, Texas

-and-

MR. KAYMAN

(No information provided)

For the Defendant:

(None identified)

Court Recorder:

(None present)

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THE COURT: 2003-5873, Jenny's Memorial Business 1 2 versus Peacock Films, First Miracle Pictures, PFMP and Marsha 3 Vivion. MR. NWAKANMA: Good morning, Your Honor. 4 5 THE COURT: Hi. How did I know, Mr. Kayman, if it has motion 6 7 pictures in it that would be you? You represent Champion 8 Entertainment? 9 MR. KAYMAN: Yes. Good morning, Your Honor. 10 THE COURT: And Mr. Nwakanma. MR. NWAKANMA: Yes. 11 12 **THE COURT:** Is that pretty good? 13 MR. NWAKANMA: Yes, Nwakanma. Thank you. You represent Jenny's 14 THE COURT: Memorial Business, the plaintiff, correct? 15 16 MR. NWAKANMA: Yes, Your Honor. 17 THE COURT: And what is the case about? 18 diversity case? 19 MR. NWAKANMA: Yes, Your Honor. 20 THE COURT: You don't dispute the jurisdiction of 21 this Court? 22 MR. NWAKANMA: No, Your Honor. 23 THE COURT: And what are you suing Peacock Films, and First Miracle, and Champion Entertainment for? 24 25 MR. KAYMAN: No, Champion Entertainment is a

1 plaintiff in this case. 2 THE COURT: Okay. You're both plaintiffs. 3 MR. KAYMAN: Yes. MR. NWAKANMA: Right. 4 5 **THE COURT:** Okay. Who represents the defendants? MR. NWAKANMA: We don't know, Your Honor. We have 6 7 not heard anything from them. 8 THE COURT: Have you served them? 9 MR. NWAKANMA: Yes, Your Honor. 10 THE COURT: You have? MR. NWAKANMA: Yes. 11 THE COURT: All right. When were they served? 12 13 MR. NWAKANMA: Just give me a minute, Your Honor. It was on January 1st, 2004. 14 15 THE COURT: Okay. Is there evidence in the file 16 about that? 17 MR. NWAKANMA: Yes, Your Honor. 18 THE COURT: How were they served? 19 MR. NWAKANMA: Through a process server, Your 20 Honor. 21 THE COURT: By what? 22 MR. NWAKANMA: Through a process server. 23 THE COURT: Process server, okay. There is a notice for a default judgment 24 25 pending.

MR. NWAKANMA: Yes.

THE COURT: That was the same complexion back in April when we had a Rule 16 Conference. Your request for default judgment has been pending since March the 5<sup>th</sup>.

MR. NWAKANMA: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: The record will reflect -- oh, and I do have a copy of your process, your service, summons and petition proof. That's Document No. 5 in the file of the Court. So, I'm going to recommend to Judge Harmon that the case be dismissed for want of prosecution. I won't address schedule today.

MR. KAYMAN: And that the default judgment was granted, Your Honor.

MR. NWAKANMA: Granted.

THE COURT: Is that what the motion is for?

MR. NWAKANMA: Yes, Your Honor.

MR. KAYMAN: Yes.

THE COURT: Default judgment. Okay. I'll recommend the default judgment -- you're the plaintiff. I've got to keep that straight. Okay. So that's what I'm recommending. And just to make sure the case doesn't get forgotten, I'll reset the Rule 16 conference for January the 5th, and hopefully that setting will just dissolve upon your motion for default being granted, hopefully.

MR. KAYMAN: Well, may I ask the Court a question?

1 THE COURT: Uh-huh. 2 MR. KAYMAN: Would you expect Judge Harmon to sign 3 that default judgment before another Rule 16 Scheduling 4 Conference? 5 THE COURT: Hopefully before January. 6 MR. KAYMAN: Yeah. 7 That's why I'm setting it for then, and THE COURT: 8 making a note to her that I'm recommending that the default 9 judgment be entered. 10 MR. KAYMAN: Okay. 11 THE COURT: I'm noting that on our docket entry for 12 today. She has, you know, three or four hundred cases. 13 MR. KAYMAN: Right. 14 THE COURT: And I can just, you know, try to make 15 it easy for her by making this note here. 16 MR. KAYMAN: Right. 17 Well, it's not inappropriate for you to THE COURT: 18 contact her case manager, say, on a monthly basis, to check up 19 on this motion. 20 MR. KAYMAN: Okay. 21 THE COURT: You know, like send her a letter or a 22 phone call or something like that to make sure it gets 23 resolved. All right. 24 Thank you, Your Honor. MR. KAYMAN:

Thank you.

MR. NWAKANMA:

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1	THE COURT: Thank you for appearing.
2	MR. KAYMAN: May we be excused?
3	THE COURT: Yes.
4	MR. KAYMAN: Thank you.
5	(These proceedings concluded at 10:48 a.m.)
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